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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Kikuji YAMASHITA et al.

Serial Number: Not Yet Assigned

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For: ORGANISM-COMPATIBLE MATERIALS WITH COMBINED EXTRA-CELLULAR MATRICES, EXTRACELLULAR-MATRIX PREPARATIONS, AND PRODUCTION METHODS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner
For Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231
Sir:

July 2, 2001

Prior to calculation of the fee and examination on the merits of the above-identified patent application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 3 to read as follows:

3. (Amended) An organism-compatible material with combined extracellular matrices as claimed in claim 1, wherein said cells are osteoblasts, chondroblasts, tendon cells, vascular endothelial